

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 910

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Bill and Janice Dean on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 1960, Bill Dean and Janice Christian were joined in holy matrimony at Mount Carmel Methodist Church, with the Reverend Newton B. Dickens officiating; and

WHEREAS, since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, the Deans celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, with a little help from their family and friends, on February 21, 2010, at a reception hosted by their children at the Holston Electric Building in Church Hill; and

WHEREAS, highly respected citizens of their community, Mr. and Mrs. Dean are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dean retired from Mead Paper, where he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work throughout his long tenure of service; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced three children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; the Deans' children are Mark Dean, Jennifer Chumley, and Anna Mahan; and

WHEREAS, Bill and Janice Dean are the proud grandparents of Tasha Byrd, David Dillard, Gwen Chumley, Alex Gilley, Matthew Mahan, and Andrew Mahan, and the doting great-

grandparents of Kaylee Gilley, Caleb Dillard, Will Dillard, Cameron Dillard, Phoenix Weigel, and Gabe Harper; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Deans' truly represent the best and brightest of our society, as they remind us of the intrinsic value of continuity and commitment in this ever changing world; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby join with the family and friends of Bill and Janice Dean in celebrating this exemplary couple's 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.